

Subject: Chinese and Japanese coins--  
valuation of.

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Mr. Sidney P. Noe,  
American Numismatic Society,  
Broadway at 156th Street,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Noe:

In looking over a box of coins the other day I found some specimens that I thought might be of interest to you and possibly of some value. I wonder if you would mind giving me your opinion of them. They are:

Chinese Cash

T'ien Hsi (1017 - 1022) 2 specimens  
Yüan Fêng (1078 - 1086)  
Chia Ching (1522 - 1567)  
T'ien Ch'i (1621 - 1628)  
Ts'ung Chêng (1628 - 1644)

Brazilian Copper Coins

80 reis 182?  
40 reis 1816

Japanese Oblong Coins of the Tokugawa Period (I am unable to assign dates and values)

2 gold coins      3 silver coins      I will send them  
on if you think they are worth looking at.

Siamese Coins

1 tical (silver)  
1 att (copper)      All minted before 1890  
2 att (copper)  
stamped "bullet" coin

English Coins

1/2 d. 1773  
1 d. 1702 (pierced)

U.S. 1 cent pieces

1798, 1802, 1803 (2 specimens), 1807, 1838, 1847, 1851  
Also 1/2 cent, 1803

Also 1 "not one cent" Civil War Token  
2 "Army & Navy" tokens

I hope I may have the pleasure of seeing you again the next



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time I am in New York. I missed you when I was there during the Christmas holidays.

You may be interested to know that we are expecting Owen back in this country some time in June. He will be sure to look you up.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

David Lattimore

I have also an American about 3-cent piece (1862). I have been told that some of these 3-cent pieces are rare.

January 24, 1936.

Mr. David Lattimore  
Dartmouth College  
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Dear Mr. Lattimore:

Mr. Noe has turned your letter over to me. I have gone through your list of coins and do not see anything that is rare and I doubt if there is anything that would bring enough to bother about except of course the gold coins. These would be worth anywhere from their face value up. If when you are in New York you care to bring any of these you might be in doubt about I would be very glad to see them. I would be very glad to see Owen when he comes back - I have had several nice meetings with him.

Your silver three cent piece of 1862 happens to be the commonest of the three cent pieces. It is only worth a premium worth mentioning when in perfect condition.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

Curator



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David Lattimore

*February 11, 1936*

My dear Mr. Wood:

Thanks so much for your very kind letter about my coins. Except for the Sung dynasty 'cash', which I did think might be rare, I did not think there could be much value in the lot, but wished to make sure. As for the Japanese gold coins, they probably are worth not much more than their face value as they are not very old. I expect to be in New York some time during the latter part of the summer, when I hope to have the pleasure of seeing you again. I shall bring the Japanese coins along on the chance that they may be worth something after all.

Owen is leaving Peiping next month. As he is returning by way of Siberia and plans to spend some time in Moscow, Paris and London, we do not expect him to reach this country much before the end of June.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

*David Lattimore*